

Immersion in Black Dance

Project description: I attended the 2018 International Associations of Blacks in Dance (IABD) Conference in Los Angeles, California. At this conference:

- I immersed myself in a space created to honor the tradition of black dance.
- I took various workshop classes with companies and artists I admire.
- I increased my technical skill and artistry by learning from renowned artists.
- I forged connections with artists in the black dance community.
- I researched and auditioned for companies that I am interested in dancing for.



Project significance: The IABD Conference was created to celebrate black artists, and to share the knowledge of dance forms of the African diaspora to the future generations of dancers. This was something that I was specifically searching for, because it is something that I do not get to experience everyday at Ohio State. Having the opportunity to learn about dance from my own cultural heritage through this conference gave growth my artistry by giving knowledge and substance to my identity.

